The Dynamics For Teacher-Student Relationship

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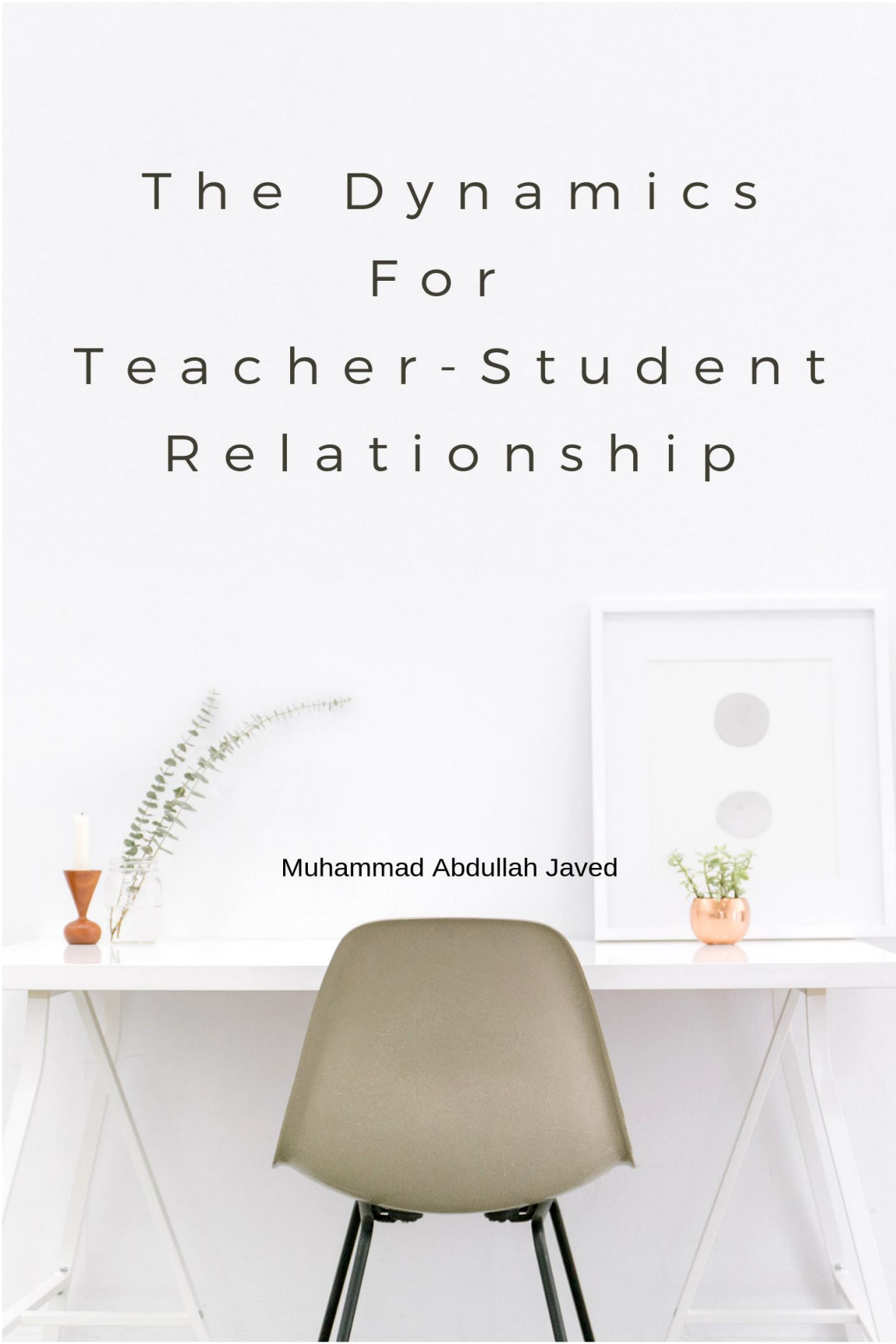

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Introduction

The relationship does matter, without a lively, vibrant and ideal relationship it's difficult to be happy and successful. For a happy familial life, the good relationship between husband and wife and children does matter. To be successful in any job, the relationship between employee and his boss has to be good. When we talk of Teacher-Student Relationship (TSR) it means a lot, it occupies more important position than any other, apart from parents-children relationship. The most sacred and significant one is the relationship between teachers and students as it makes the society an abode of peace and progress in real sense.

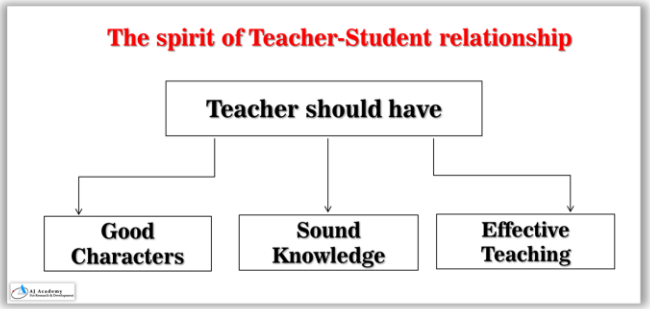
Definition of Teacher Student Relationship (TSR)

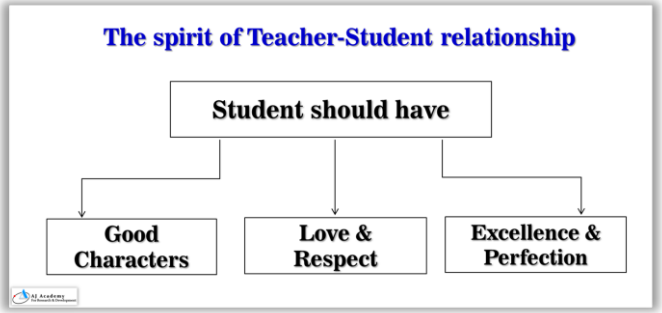
Every relationship has a common base, for familial bonding we call it as blood relationship. For the relations between an employee, with his boss or co-workers, we call job as its base. Since both teachers and students have joined the institution for just one cause, education, so it has to be the base of relationship between the two. It means the teachers and students share an Educational Relationship. So you can unfold the concept of this relationship as:

- It’s a relation between teacher and student of which education is the sole base; it’s an educational relationship between the two.
- A strong bonding between teachers and students that help achieve goals of education.
- It's necessary for quality teaching and effective learning.

The Spirit of TSR

An ideal relationship between teachers and students has its own advantages and serve as a sole mean of achieving noble objectives and goals of education. If the relationship between the two is formed on the basis of knowledge, good characters and excellence in performance, it simply knows no bound, and the relationship remains exemplary in all sense. The following figures show the spirit of relationship from both teachers and students perspectives:





Advantages of TSR

The following are some of the advantages that both teachers and students enjoy by virtue of their good relationship.

On the part of **Students** the **Advantages** are:

- **Positive impacts:** It shapes students characters, creates interest in studies, cultivates respect towards teachers and parents, and motivates them for excellence and perfection.
- **Sense of Belongingness:** It gives a sense that everything concerning education belongs to them, the teachers, the institution and academic efforts.
- **Cooperation:** It ensures an effective cooperation between the two.
- **Seek advice & guidance:** Students tend to seek advices and guidance from the teachers for their academic and non-academic matters. This consultation speaks of a heightened relation between the two and a highest caliber of a teacher.
- **Develop interest:** It develops interest to follow the instructions and guidance given by the teachers to perform better.

On the part of **Teachers** the **Advantages** are:

- **Satisfaction:** The relationship provides a sense of satisfaction for the teachers. They get convinced with what they have prepared and taught. Satisfaction has always been a criterion for a teacher to judge her performance and continue to perform better.

- **Sense of Belongingness:** It gives a sense that everything concerning education belongs to them, the students, the institution and all academic efforts.
- **Increased efficiency:** It boosts their efficiency and provides interest in preparation before the class and assessment thereafter.
- **Target achievement**: The good relationship help teachers achieve their personal goals regarding self-improvement, teaching and guiding the students.
- **Develop interest:** It develops interest for doing better for students and the institution.

Disadvantages of weak TSR

If due attention is not given for ensuring healthy relations between teachers and students, it may have adverse effects both on students and teachers, the following are some of the disadvantages:

For **Students**, the **Disadvantages** are:

- **Lack of interest:** Since teachers impart knowledge to her students through communication, the bad relations between the two acts as a hurdle for both effective communication and listening and results in poor interest of the students.
- **Ineffective listening:** The students tend to pay less attention to what teacher is communicating, it results in poor listening.
- **Poor performance:** Lack of interest and other negative factors affect the performance.
- **Unwanted arguments:** The body language of students appears to be very disturbing for teacher, their less

interest and poor attention compels teacher to admonish them, due to poor relations, they both indulge in unwanted arguments.

- **Inferiority complex:** Since the teacher always has a say, sometimes, the heated arguments, harsh comments, indecency results in inferiority complex.

For **Teachers**, the **Disadvantages** are:

- **Dissatisfaction:** Contrary to good relationship, the bad ones spoil the performance of teachers due to various reasons and they always stays unsatisfied
- **Detachment:** The poor relationship, below par performance of both teachers and students results in a kind of detachment and teachers feel a distance between them and the students.
- **Decreased efficiency:** All these factors decrease efficiency; teachers find it difficult to complete the assigned responsibilities in time and in accordance with the objectives.
- **Poor performance:** All these factors result in poor performance.
- **Develop disinterest:** These factors contribute in a teacher's lack of interest also.

Tips for Ideal Teacher-Student Relationship

The following are some practical ways to ensure your good relationship with the students:

1) Love and Care: Students spend most of the days' time in school, if they get love, affection and care from the teacher, they find a homely atmosphere to study and learn.

Moreover, it's a teacher's responsibility to be like a mother in school and ensure motherly approach.

2) Knowing: It means not only students strengths and weaknesses but also his background and all that is related to him.

3) Trust: It is all about building confidence in the students trust them for their studies, homework, assignments etc and whatever you advise them, believe that they will abide by your words.

4) Mutual respect: It is the respect that cultivates a true atmosphere of teaching and learning, both teachers and students should have respect as a binding force of their good relationship.

5) No favoritism: You should not single out any student, nor prefer any one or group of students. For a teacher, all students have to be equal in every sense.

6) No harsh punishments: Even for their indecent behavior, misconduct or ineffective studies, don't go for harsh punishments. Make them feel that you seriously dislike their attitude and let them know that their attitude is fatal for present and the future.

7) No strictness: There should be a moderate stance of the teacher, neither too strict nor too flexible. Maintain a decent balance and let your attitude say it all to the students that what actually you expect from them?

8) Good classroom management: It affects both teaching and learning. Ensure a good classroom management, stay focused and plan before coming to the class. Develop a sense of responsibility among students to maintain discipline in the classroom.

9) Appreciation: Express your words of appreciation for students in and off the campus activities. Make use of motivational words to express your pleasure and happiness.

10) Healthy competitions: Try to engage students in healthy competitions. Let them compete with their fellow students both for their academic and non-academic activities. It instills confidence and prepares them to face the world with a never-say-die spirit.

11) Rewards: For discipline, good performance, excellent studies, give them reward, it can be in the form a special letter, words of appreciation or a gift.

12) No criticism: Avoid criticism in particular when students perform not as per your expectations or at the time when their parents come and discuss about their studies. Don't scold; let your words make them understand what your concerns are? And how can they improve?

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